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Temporary licence granted for pubs

Niagara College was granted a temporary licence to run the weekly pubs until Ontario legislation governing colleges and universities is better explained.

A meeting was held at the University of Toronto on Dec. 12, to clear up conflicting interpretations of Bill 146, but failed to do so.

The bill has been given many interpretations over the past year by local and central inspectors of the Liquor License Board of Ontario, John Clement and his ministry of consumer and commercial relations.

Toi Fountain, president of Niagara's Student Administrative Council (SAC), attended the meeting to discuss the bill which affects the college's pubs.

Representatives of 35 colleges in Ontario attended. Beth Bridgeman, business manager for SAC, advised Toi at the meeting, but was not allowed to vote.

The Ontario Pub Association (OPA) and the Ontario Federation of Students (OFA) planned the meeting.

It was reaffirmed that Ontario students want the right for student governments to be given equal treatment under law if they wish to apply for liquor licences. Universities can hold licences on campus but student governments cannot.

Students want the right for student governments to enter into legally binding agreements with full control over liquor outlets.

It was felt that some explanation must be given to clear up public concern about costs of bringing licensed areas up to the standards of the liquor license boards.

Mr. Clement said, "the fallacy that substantial funds must be spent is inaccurate." Information that OFS has received disagrees with Mr. Clement's statement.

The meeting also expressed concern that proper consultation and co-operation be established between the provincial associations and the government.

2 STUDENTS PROTEST SAC FEE TO GOV'T.

By DOUG CALDWELL

Two Niagara College students who refuse to pay Student Administrative Council (SAC) fees presented their case to the Ontario government here Jan. 17.

Gary Schneider and Carole Cooper, second year journalism students, have refused to pay $17 in SAC fees for term four. Because of that they were not allowed to pay the remaining $130 and are no longer considered students.

Dr. J. Gordon Parr, deputy minister of colleges and universities, told the students that the Niagara Board of Governors would have to make the final decision and he hoped the "college will work it out." Dr. Parr said he would call A.S. Manera, college president, about the matter on Monday, Jan. 20.

"The government is very reluctant to intervene" because he said he felt it would lead to an "erosion of college autonomy."

Both students have all the necessary credits for their previous terms but will not be allowed to graduate even though they are still attending classes.

The students met Dr. Parr at the college where he was attending the Cabinet Committee on Social Development sitting which listened to briefs from local groups. Five cabinet ministers formed the committee.

The students' brief may also be heard before the meeting of the college Board of Governors tonight . A copy of the brief was directed to Mr. Manera and the board.

The two students are asking the college administration "to assume some of the responsibility and get control" over the functions of SAC.

They said one reason for refusal is that there has been misuse of funds in the past by SAC officials.

"While SAC comes under the jurisdiction of the office of the director of students affairs, A.S. Aboud said he has no control over the administration of any SAC affairs, including spending, because it is an incorporated body," the students' brief said.

They also feel they have received very few benefits from SAC activities, such as clubs, sports and pubs.

For the year ending March, 1974, "about 115 of almost 2,000 students at Niagara College actively participated in sports...students who do wish to watch the games are charged an admission...students attending pubs have to pay an admission charge also...and less than three per cent of SAC funds are spent on clubs."

Believing it wrong to be forced to become a member of SAC, they said "...with incorporation, SAC became a business and no business can force a person to become a member of it."

Because they are not allowed to register, they feel the college has chosen to place the rights of SAC before the rights of the student.

"Either SAC should be dissolved or a compromise worked out by which the college may intervene on any issue if the students request it. The only avenue left open by which we can check SAC on their procedures is to withhold our student fees."

3 EXTRA DAYS IN WINTER TERM

Niagara's winter term will end on April 25, rather than April 22, as was published in the college calendar because there will be no final examinations.

Last May it was decided not to continue writing of exams because few instructors followed the practice.

The fall term was also extended by three days.

'Why Not!' IWY slogan

"Why not!" — the words leap out of full-page newspaper advertisements launching International Women's Year — 1975.

The slogan has produced mixed feelings in the first chairperson at Niagara College, Gail Hilyer; from resentment that the advertisement was prepared by an all-male advertising firm, to bewilderment because she "did not really know what it meant" to a final conclusion that if it means, "Why not be what you want to be?" and is effective in an advertising sense, it may serve a purpose.

Mrs. Hilyer, chairperson of extension studies in Applied Arts, is a member of the committee planning IWY celebrations in this area.

She is sending away for free "Why Not!" buttons; posters and information offered in the advertisement. They can be obtained by writing to "Why Not!", Ottawa, Ont., K1A 0A3.

The slogan refers to discrimination against women in jobs and other areas of life, according to the ad. It urges a new attitude — "that says no one will ever again deny you an opportunity just because you're a woman....That the next time a prejudice or precedent says, 'No you can't', you're going to ask, 'Why not?"

Mrs. Hilyer said, "It is very appropriate when it comes to the little girl in elementary school who says she wants to be president. 'Why not?' I would have liked it to be phrased in a positive way."

The advertisement states that women should think positively of their role and status in society. "And what we should be asking ourselves is, 'Why Not?' because, unfortunately, change will not come until we demand it."

Children from N/C Nursery and Theatre Arts students enjoy 'Stone Soup.' (Photo by Gary Schneider)

Children feast on stone soup

By JANINA SZCZEPANOSKI

A group of pre-school children, peasant women and three soldiers sat down to a banquet of imaginary stone soup, bread, roast beef, cider and cookies--all in room 109 of the Simcoe Building.

The three and four-year old children from Niagara College Nursery were taking part in Involvement Theatre- a theatre which lives up to its name. Instead of being just spectators, these children were taking part in a performance of the children's story stone soup under the guidance of nine second year theatre arts students. The students, six actresses and three actors, are enrolled in Theatre With and for Children as one of their majors.

There is "more enjoyment" for the children in Involvement Theatre, Mrs. Norah Morgan, instructor, said.

The boys and girls were divided into groups of five or six each led by an actress dressed in a long black skirt and white apron and cap to represent a peasant woman. They guided the children into the village-like atmosphere in which each group performed chores related to country life. Some dug potatoes; others went through the motions of pumping water; others planted vegetables--all with invisible tools and props.

"Children can adapt to an imaginary act very easily," Mrs. Morgan said. The role of the theatre student is to "question" the children and "keep alert to their desire" They ask and answer questions, guiding the children in the general theme of the play and at the same time letting the play move in a way the children want.

Props were few, used to give the children something real to focus on. Certain things real are necessary, Mrs. Morgan said.

Six small benches placed around the room acted as each group's home, hiding place and seat. A large block was the soup kettle, and a long flat board the dining table. All other objects needed and used by the children were imaginary but the children really saw them, Mrs. Morgan said.

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Seek liquor licenses

Niagara College is applying for a dining lounge licence for the cafeteria and a lounge licence for the staff lounge in the Tecumseh Centre Annex.

The meeting for the application will be held at the Odd Fellows Temple, 36 James St., in St. Catharines on Jan. 31, 1975 at 10 a.m.

EDITORIAL

Happiness is ... a warm paycheck ?

It's funny how words take on different meaning in the mouths of different people. Throughout our entire economy, and especially our educational system, young people are badgered about their attitudes. The employers and educators speak of poor attendance and of the apathy that is steadily growing within these systems.

Now it appears that those men and women who did the lecturing on the subject of attitudes leave a lot to be desired in their own attitudes and views.

Many teachers, not only at this college but throughout the entire educational system, are in the profession only for the money. Why else would they be so ready to go out on strike and leave the students without people to help them learn? All over Canada and the United States teachers are walking off their jobs.

It matters little that a lot of them are overpaid and underqualified. What does matter is that they are willing to jeopardize the future of their students for the sake of personal gain. If they were dedicated to their jobs and students, they would stifle their greed and be satisfied with what they have. Not everyone in the world can be a millionaire.

Next, we move on to employers. No one minds a person making a fair profit. But when someone gouges and rips-off a consumer, people have a right to get angry. The robber-barons have not died, they are alive and well and breeding furiously in our economy.

Then we come to groups such as the prison guards and employees of mental institutions. They were ready to walk out on their jobs in an illegal strike that could have had serious consequences. Who would have taken their place at such short notice? What are they doing working at these places when they don't care what happens to those they look after? All for a few more dollars in their pockets, a new boat they'll use once a year, or a new house so they can watch their friends become envious.

What kind of example are these people setting for the youth of today? Everywhere in North America people are going on strike. Some deserve the extra money, but many have grown too fat already.

The remaining fact is that most of the people who could use the extra money, not to buy luxuries but to eat, don't get it. People on welfare can't go on strike. Old-age pensioners barely subsist on what they get, yet they can't get more money. People working for minimum wage are stuck until the government decides to give them an extra quarter an hour, and this does not happen often.

Somewhere along the line people have lost their capacity to be happy without a lot of frills and accessories to feed their egos. Many have lost the capacity to be happy at all. People work at jobs they hate so they can wear mink and buy luxuries they hope will impress others, instead of finding a profession which they are truly interested in.

It's hard to believe that the world has gone bad, or that the most important thing in life is how successful a person is and how many trips to Florida he takes. The only hope is that this is another stage that the world is going through and, that soon, people will awaken and once again realize what life is all about.

Gary Schneider

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Bullpit

NEW MARKING SYSTEM

Pro

By SHEILA MACMASTER

The first step in doing away with marks completely is the marking system of 1, 2, 3 or 4 adopted last term by Niagara College. By using this system marking is simplified and the student knows exactly where he stands. Instead of getting a grade of 2.5 he gets either a 2 or a 3. There are no in-between marks.

Eventually the marking system will most likely become a system in which the student either passes or fails the course. Some of the present courses are credit only and the mark obtained does not afffect the percentage.

The most important part of education is learning anyway.

When an employer looks at a person he wants to see if he can do the job. It doesn't matter to him whether he got a 1.5 or a 2, 2.5 or a 3. If he can do the job, he'll probably get the job. Marks are only a formality in today's school system, and one which will likely be obsolete in another 20 years.

Niagara's new marking system seems to be a step in that direction. Most students were not affected that much by the new system. No one really cares that much if he gets a 2.5 instead of a 2. There is not that much difference between them. The difference between a 3 or a 4 is more readily discernible. At least the student knows whether he has a 3 or a 4 and is not somewhere in between.

This new system is better than the old one, not only for students but for staff. It is simplified so they mark in round figures. The new system should be continued, because a student would rather get a 3 than a 2.5 or a 4 rather than a 3.5.

Perhaps some day students will either pass or fail and the whole system of marks will be defunct. By that time it won't matter what mark a student achieves, it will be the learning experience that will be the most important. That's all that matters.

Bull Pit is an expression of individual opinion and does not necessarily reflect the views of the Niagara News.

Con

By CHRISTA KIRKEY

A marking system that has been too inaccurate in the past has now been made more inaccurate. Now that the decimal system has been discontinued at Niagara College, and the students are working on a 1, 2, 3, 4 basis, what is left to give the average student any incentive?

Besides making marking a lot easier for the instructors, what good has this new system brought about?

According to the Niagara College calendar, a grade of 2 is "a completely acceptable level of achievement" whereas a grade of 3 is "a level of achievement above a 2 but not sufficiently outstanding to be a 4." What kind of double talk is that?

According to the experts who decided that this new method would raise the standards of Niagara, the college marking system is now equivalent to the letter grading of most universities.

Since when is a C in one's intended field a perfectly acceptable mark?

There is just too much difference between a mark of 2 and 3 to leave it to the discretion of the instructor to draw the line between the two.

Instead of making the marking system slacker, why not tighten it up and give the students something to work toward? Let them know precisely where they stand in relation to their marks. Don't slap a 2 on them and tell them it's sufficient!

Students are expected to be precise and accurate in their work, so is asking their instructors for the same too much too ask?

When a survey is taken and the results show that 163 students out of 166 prefer the old decimal system, and yet the new system is implemented, this would indicate that once again the voice of the students has been ignored.

COLD FACTS

The common cold. Millions of dollars are spent on cures for rare diseases but there is still no cure for the common cold which strikes most people sometime in their lives. There are drugs to relieve sore throats, fever and the aches and pains of colds but there is still no cure.

But the cold is not just one disease, as people think. It's a group of diseases probably caused by 20 or more viruses.

Most people have experienced the usual symptoms—varying degrees of nasal congestion, mild sore throat, coughing, slight fever and headaches.

People who are not carrying a cold virus and who have resistance to these infections will seldom catch cold under any circumstances. There is a relationship between chilling of the body and loss of body heat and development of colds.

This helps explain why there is a need to dress warmly and why some catch colds after wet feet while others do not.

It is commonly thought that being in crowds increases the danger of catching cold, but current research indicates viruses may be more commonly found on the clothing of the victim. Even temperatures and proper humidity will help to keep colds away.

CABINET COMMITTEE

More than 12 briefs were presented to the Cabinet Committee when it sat in Hamilton Room of Niagara College on Jan. 17. Mrs. Margaret Birch, provincial secretary for social development was in charge of the meeting.

Pub increase

Costs 50¢ to get in

By KEN BLAY

The Student Administrative Council (SAC) said one reason for the pub night admission price increase from 25 cents to 50 cents was to compensate for the rising costs of bands.

At a SAC general meeting held at the beginning of the year, Gary Nemcko, vice-president of external affairs, said, in response to a question, that during the summer he had to listen to bands for the fall and winter pub nights to finalize arrangements.

If that is true, then contracts to engage a band for an appearance on a specific date must have been signed setting time and date for the appearance and the fee to be paid.

If the price charged by the band is on the contract, there is no way it can be changed. So how can SAC use the excuse that band prices have increased?

SAC showed how binding a contract is when they tried to change pubs from Thursday to Friday nights last year. It was impossible because the bands signed to play on Thursdays had signed to play elsewhere on Friday.

Going to the Dec. 5 pub to see if there was indeed any justification for a price increase proved interesting. Strange as it may seem, there did seem to be justification.

A seat by the door afforded the best spot to watch people entering the pub. In one hour 11 people, including SAC members not working at the pub, were admitted free. Could this be one reason for a price boost at the door? Are the pub patrons now paying double so the "chosen few" may enter gratis?

One other explanation (purely speculation, of course) is that there was not enough money in the student council coffers to cover the honorarium pay cheques and the admission charge increase may have been used to fill the diminished resources. That's only speculation.

Another question about pubs but not pertaining to the price increase is...since when did Labatts get the beer and ale monopoly at Niagara? At every pub, or for that matter every function held here where beer is permitted, the only malt beverages sold are products of the Labatt Brewery.

What's wrong with Oktoberfest or Carlsburg? Why isn't there a choice? Is there some secret deal between SAC and Labatts?

Whatever the reasons are, it is about time SAC began acting like a responsible government and telling it straight to the Niagara students.

The only ones to benefit from SAC's recent snow job would be the Ski Club members but it is an unlikely possibility that the Ski Club would want that kind of snow.

No liquor, but more bar fun

For a trial period of several weeks, liquor will not be sold at Niagara College pub-nites, according to Toi Fountain, president of the Student Administrative Council (SAC). Only beer will be sold.

The change is in hope of increasing profits at pubs. According to SAC records, most previous pubs have lost money.

Also, the bar is now self-service.

"It's more fun that way, isn't it?" said Toi.

Chairmen are teachers as well as managers

By VICKY SCHMIDT

John Giancarlo, dean of the School of Applied Arts, describes a chairman as a "manager." George Blazetich, chairman of the liberal studies division, says the position of chairman is one of "senior management." Dennis Malone, chairman of the English division, describes a chairman as a "facilitator."

"He is a manager in a sense, and must also be a good teacher," Mr. Giancarlo said. "We are fortunate to have people who combine academic skills with managerial skills required of the chairman."

Some very important work is being done by chairmen, he said. "They have the major responsibility of ensuring that all programs in the division operate at peak efficiency."

The chairman's major responsibilities include the selection of a good teaching staff and supervision of teaching staff during the first two years of their employment. They make written reports on new teaching members which are presented to faculty members and the dean. They assist with teaching and most have between six and nine hours of classroom instruction per week.

Chairmen meet each year with all faculty of their division to set up objectives to be achieved by each faculty member during the year.

The School of Applied Arts is operated on a budget of about one million dollars. This sum is broken up between each division to be managed by each divisional chairman. He or she is responsible for distributing the allotment on program costs such as supplies, equipment, salaries for full and part-time teaching staff, student transportation and travel expenditures.

"The chairman must insure that the budget is not overspent in each program and division," Mr. Giancarlo said.

"If the chairman is going to supervise the teachers he must know education."

For this reason chairmen are required to teach a minimum of six hours per week. "In this way they do not lose contact with the real classroom. They are continually seeking to improve their methods of teaching."

As chairman of liberal studies, George Blazetich is responsible for "anything outside the specialized areas of education. We don't want to turn out robots.

"There should be a judicious balance of specialist, vocational and liberal studies. There should be exposure to different subjects and ideas for a more broadened outlook."

Mr. Blazetich is responsible for the provision of the electives in each elective block. He may suggest electives or implement other teachers' ideas for electives. They are designed "to provide a different kind of educational experience."

When asked if he is satisfied with the position he answered, "Absolutely! I really feel I'm doing the same thing here as I was doing before, only in a different way... that is, serving the student. It is a position of more responsibility."

"In the coming months my contact with students will diminish. If I lose contact with students I feel a great void. I will maintain the same level of teaching, I won't get better. There's no time now that I'm involved with administration."

He described the position of chairman as "senior management." "Chairmen are not taken out of the classroom into the paperbound world of administration. Nine hours a week is enough to keep a good teacher in contact with the students."

Dennis Malone, chairman of the English division, says he wouldn't like to be out of the classroom for any length of time."

He feels that he is still in contact with the students "but on a more personal, counselling basis."

"There is a great deal of counselling involved. It's wild at the start of the term with students picking up courses and fitting them into their timetables. The chairman provides guidance they don't receive from anyone else. An instructor will refer a student to a chairman if any problems come up."

"I don't see that kind of work as less important than classroom teaching. It is a different kind of service applied to students," Mr. Malone said. "One takes on additional responsibilities, usually longer hours, and it's more rewarding."

When teaching on a full time basis, Mr. Malone feels "it's hard to be at your best 21 times a week. The position of chairman is a much more varied kind of work. You are teaching — and pushing papers back and forth. There is contact with instructors and students in many different aspects."

The chairman has the responsibility and power to make a very positive input in the formation of college policy. You get the feeling of actually contributing. The final product is the student, the one person who counts the most. In a sense, the chairman is a facilitator."

Chuck quits

A first-year library technician student who refused to participate in the Book Fair last term because it contained "occult and pornographic" books, has decided to quit the library technician program and Niagara College altogether.

Chuck Mullin, 24, registered for the second term though he had been told that because of two Incompletes he would not be able to graduate or get a diploma for the course.

"I tried to see President Manera in a last effort to see if anything could be done," Chuck said, "but was told the president is on holidays till Jan. 22. That was too late to risk any decisions, so I decided to quit the library technician program and the college altogether."

Chuck received an Incomplete in Circulation Procedures for refusing to participate in the Book Fair, was barred from field practice as a result of that Incomplete, and received another Incomplete there.

Chuck said he felt no animosity on the part of the instructors. They were sympathetic and compromised as much as they could, he said.

"I feel no bitterness against instructors or college authorities," Chuck said. "They did the best they could. It is the whole structure that does not permit a person with strong inner convictions to get ahead or resist conformity."

As a result of his stand, Chuck said, he has been offered a post as assistant pastor in a Welland church. The final decision would rest with the church board. He said he plans to attend Bible School in September to prepare for the ministry.

"I am not worried about the situation because I know it is in the hand of God," Chuck said. "All things work out for good to those who love Him. My aim now is to proclaim the Good News of Jesus Christ who came to seek and save mankind and give abundant life to all who follow Him."

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EXCITEMENT, ADVENTURE

RELAXING, TRANQUIL

FREEPORT: ISLAND OF SUN

By KEN BLAY

Canadians rarely seem satisfied with their climate. When a heat wave hits the area the general wish is for cooler and more bearable temperatures. As the temperatures finally change from hot to cold Canadians no longer complain..... they escape. They escape south to warmer and more desirable climates.

Escaping south is only part of the problem. There are numerous places to go. There is Florida, Mexico and the Caribbean islands.

Where and how does the traveller go? The amount of money available determines the where but what about the how? Although cruises are available, the most used method is by jet.

As travel becomes one of Canada's biggest industries the package, all inclusive holidays, offered by charter companies has made its way to the top as one of the most preferred and widely used forms of vacation planning.

Air Canada offers "Sun Living" tours to southern destinations. Suntours of Toronto offers "Sunflight" vacations from Toronto, Montreal and other Canadian cities to places as far west as Hawaii and as far east as Spain and the Canary Islands. The list of tour companies with similar vacation plans goes on.

PRICES VARY

All prices vary according to destination, season, number of people per room and extras such as meals.

As the '74 Christmas season approached the availability of space in Caribbean resorts was almost non-existent.

Phone calls to travel agencies revealed that most package tours to places such as Freeport and Nassau in the Grand Bahamas were booked solid. One agent said Christmas tours were booked as far back as June. The only possible way to get a reservation was to hope for a cancellation.

Many travellers agree that charters are the least expensive way to travel. One week in Freeport during the off season including return jet flight, in-flight meals and bar service, seven nights in an air conditioned room, transportation to and from the airport to the hotel can cost as little as $187. Some hotels include two meals a day with the price and some tour companies include a company representative service as well as a welcome rum party for all arriving guests.

Sunning in the Freeport sun occupies most daylight hours for tourists. Canadians travel to the southern resort city year round just to lie on the white sandy beaches, swim in the crystal blue Atlantic and tan in the southern sun. The atmosphere is relaxing. Freeport beaches are almost a paradise. It is in Freeport where Canadians come to sit in 80 degree temperatures and talk about the snowy northern winters over a refreshing punch.

Freeport on Grand Bahama Island, just 50 miles off the east coast of Florida, offers the vacationer a relaxing time during the day and exciting night life after dark. A one week's holiday in Freeport is in the price range of most people.

There is something for everyone—two Moorish casinos for the gambler, white sandy beaches for the sun bather and golf courses for the golfer. The International Bazaar is a shopper's paradise. Shops representing European and South American countries display their national wares for the browser or buyer.

MINUTES AWAY

Freeport is minutes away by jet from Nassau and Miami. Crystal clear waters are a skin diver's dream and the fisherman can try for the big ones....marlin or sailfish. Some may just be satisfied to walk through the straw market and barter with the merchants for a straw hat or handbag.

Nightly entertainment is found in almost every corner of Freeport from hotels to night clubs and even the casinos. Native entertainment—whether it be a rock bank, limbo dancers or fire eaters—Freeport has it. Most bars remain open until 5 a.m. and arriving at 11 p.m. is not too late to enjoy the fun.

The potential traveller should be warned of two things before planning a Freeport vacation. For the person comtemplating renting a car—a word of caution.

Driving in a foreign country is always difficult but the Bahamians add to the Canadian driver's problem by driving on the left hand side of the road in cars with left hand steering. Other than getting used to the system there is no real problem except when passing a vehicle on a two lane road. The driver is unable to see oncoming traffic until he is in the next lane.

The second thing Canadians should be aware about is money. Although the Bahamian dollar is at par with Canadian currency, the traveller will find that his money does not last as long as anticipated. Since most products are imported to the island the prices are high.

COVER CHARGE

Cover charge at night clubs with entertainment is usually $6. The price includes entrance to see the floor show and two drinks. After the show the price is reduced.

Don't ask for Canadian beer. They don't have it. Old Milwaukee or Schlitz yes, Molson's or Labatts no! Mixed drinks? Try a Yellow Bird or Bahama Mama.

Although Canadian beer cannot be found in bars it can be bought in a beer store if the buyer is willing to part with $13 for a dozen Labatts 50.

After arriving in Freeport and deciding that some prices may be out of reach, walk to the British-style Winston Churchill Pub, order a pint of fine English bitter or a coffee (only 25 cents a cup) and just talk with other vacationers. That in itself may be entertaining enough.

Police encourage winter road safety

Winter driving may be hazardous to health. Even though "there is no appreciable increase in traffic accidents in winter", says Constable John Hodgson, of the Regional Police Traffic Safety and Public Relations Department, "we do get a greater influx of accidents at the first snowfall."

"Inexperienced drivers take time to adjust to the different conditions. Parking lot accidents increase too, because they're the last places to get sanded."

There are violations a driver can be charged with that pertain only to wintertime, Constable Hodgson said.

Driving while either the side or rear views are blocked can result in a $23 fine that can be settled out of court unless a charge of careless driving is laid under in Section 48 of the Highway Traffic Act.

A car found to have bald tires in a safety check would be classified as unsafe and taken off the road.

Also, vehicles must be off the road, especially during winter, to facilitate late night snow removal. Any car on the road will be towed away and the woner will be fined and charged towing expenses.

Among safety tips Constable Hodgson offered for winter driving are: make sure the exhaust system is working perfectly. Exhaust fumes can build up quickly in a car because of heaters and closed windows.

"If you find yourself in a skid, pump the brakes and turn the steering wheel into the skid."

It should not have to come to a skid if, as Constable Hodgson said, "you reduce the car to a particular speed that allows good control for the type of road you're on with an allowance for braking distance. On dry roads it's one vehicle length for every 10 m.p.h. of speed. But on icy or snow-covered roads it's at four times that amount, or four car lengths for every 10 m.p.h. of speed."

In a leaflet put out by the Ontario Department of Transport other safety hints mentioned are:

Avoid wheel spins by starting slow and easy. Start in second gear with manual shift, or drive with automatic. In deep snow, turn the front wheels a few times to clear snow then straighten them and start gently. If the car doesn't move, the car manual should be checked for rocking procedure.

Watch out for temperature changes and temperature drops. Ice is more slippery near the melting point than it is at lower temperatures.

Dont stop on hills; there may not be enough traction to get going again.

Pack the trunk for emergencies with a shovel, bag of sand, tire chains and windshield scrapers.

Constable Hodgson cautioned drivers who have cars with raised rear-ends.

"These cars have the most problems in braking. In fact, they're useless for it.

"In tests, when these cars had the brakes applied, the back bumper would bounce up and down and bounce the car right off the road."

Constable Hodgson and Sergeant Carson Ford make frequent appearances at elementary schools and social gatherings, talking on traffic safety and they are always ready to assist groups.

Pinball games to finance scholarships

In an effort to help fight inflation the Student Aministrative Council (SAC) is supporting a scholarship fund financed solely from the profits of the pinball machines in the gym lounge. So far $1,000 has been deposited.

The fund is designed to help both new students and those already in the college system. Toi Fountain, SAC president, and Mrs. M.E. Patterson, student awards officer, will decide how the scholarships will be distributed.

FIRST SCHOOLS

The first elementary schools in Ontario were established during the late 1780s.

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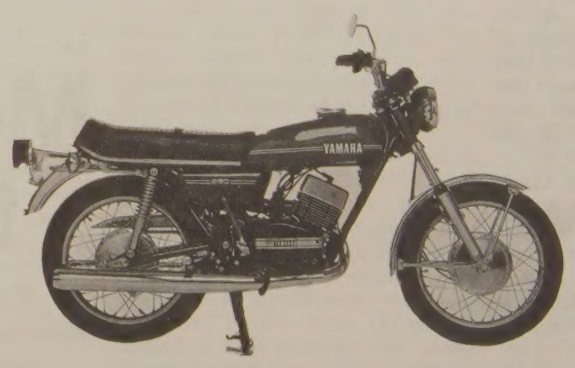

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Niagara and Erie College faculty discuss the possibilities of faculty exchanges between the two institutions in the years to come. If the exchanges can be arranged, they will be a first among community colleges. Left to right are Joe Kopec, R.A. Calladine from Niagara College and Erie representatives Dr. Helen DiPota, John Bellman and Donald J. Berns, and presidents of the colleges, A.S. Manera, Niagara, and Dr. Robert H. Stauffer, Erie.

(Photo by John Dueck)

WITH ERIE COLLEGE

Faculty exchange with U.S. is a first

Faculty exchange between Niagara College and Erie Community College has been agreed upon in principle by representatives of both colleges.

If carried out, Niagara College would become the first Ontario college to have a faculty exchange with an American college. The exchange is expected to take place in the fall term.

Niagara College faculty and students have been invited to visit Erie College on April 17.

Dr. Robert Stauffer, president of Erie Community College, and seven Erie faculty members discussed various Niagara College programs and plans for the faculty exchange with A.S. Manera, Niagara College president, its deans and division chairmen on Dec. 16.

"I am pleased to be here today," Dr. Stauffer said at the meeting. "I hope that we can establish some kind of faculty exchange program between your college and Erie Community College. You are much further advanced in professional development than we are. I am sure that an exchange program would be very beneficial to both colleges."

The concept of exchange visits originated with Dr. Helen DiPota, professor of Social Science at Erie for 15 years, who has been working on faculty and student exchanges between North America and Europe.

Erie Community College, one of 38 such colleges in New York state, began in 1946 with a small beginning. Today it has three centres with a student enrolment of 6,000. Its main campus is located five miles east of Buffalo on Route 5.

Erie College operates practically on the same principles as Niagara College with a few differences for the students. Tuition fee for one year at Erie is $640. In addition students pay a $24 activity and athletic fee, a $9 publication fee, and a $22 insurance fee.

Tuition fee for non-residents of New York state or foreign countries is $1,280 for one year.

Niagara College has a tuition fee of $287 for any student, whether from another province or foreign country. Part-time courses at Niagara are $26 each, at Erie $66 each.

Dr. Stauffer and the Erie faculty members were given a tour of the buildings by Dr. W.R. Stuart, dean of technology at Niagara College.

"I think your college is very impressive," Dr. Stauffer said after the tour. "The architectural design of your new buildings is certainly to be complimented. If I were a student, I would be very pleased to be a student in a college like this."

Niagara College is young compared with some colleges in New York state, but apparently well on its way to maturity. This opinion was expressed by all members of the Erie delegation.

"You people have done a marvelous job in such a short period of time," Dr. Norman Cates, associate dean of health sciences at Erie, said. "The students are really reaping the benefits of hard work and effort that all the people have done to put this institution together."

A comparison of courses offered at both colleges reveals that each college seems to operate according to the "needs and moods" of its environment and country

While Niagara offers such courses as Effective Use of Leisure, Housekeeping, Marriage and Divorce, Luck, Chance, and Probability, and six courses on crime and law enforcement, Erie College offers courses on the Metric System, Comtemporary Moral, two courses on Nuclear Chemistry and nuclear fission, Recreation, Athletic Training, and 11 courses on crime and law enforcement.

STRANGE NOISES IN SIMCOE WILL BE FIXED

Complaints by staff of high noise levels caused by the ventilation system in the Simcoe Building since the first year of occupancy will be rectified soon, said J.A. Spittle, manager of property and plant.

The reason it has taken so long to correct the situation is because, even though "Acres Consulting Services designed the system, the contractor who installed it is out of business."

It is being done now because the college put the blame on the designers and had a discussion with them on how to fix the present system "by finding fault in the present system."

Part of the problem is caused by "diffusers" — the ceiling covers over each of the vents in the room which help spread heat or air through the room. Mr. Spittle said there is something in the way they are designed that causes noise.

The other part of the problem is the situation of the "dampers". They control the flow of air and are located too close to classrooms. They will be moved closer to the main trunks in the hallways.

The worst areas for noise are rooms 302, 301, 303 and 303A.

The lecture rooms on the second and third floor are also bad for noise.

One chairman said he received complaints about the noise and described it as a "sheet of sound coming between me and the student I'm talking to."

Repairs to the ventilation system will be done at the end of April, said Mr. Spittle.

Math tutor Tuston gives smypathy, help

By CHRISTA KIRKEY

Alan Tuston spends most of his days in the Niagara College resource centre - he is not a librarian, but a retired math instructor.

He was hired by the college math department last November to tutor students in mathematics. He found business slow to begin with, but it is picking up now.

"I don't know if the students didn't know that I was here, or they were just seduced by the soft lights over to the magazine section."

Mr. Tuston is a retired school teacher who taught in Ottawa and Thorold.

"The generation gap between me and my students was becoming like the bridge at Port Robinson. But I don't notice that here. The students are all adults who want to learn."

Mr. Tuston tutors Mondays to Fridays from 9 A.M. to 4 P.M. in the back of the library. Anyone needing help is welcome.

Although Mr. Tuston is not part of the regular staff at the college, last term he compiled a new entrance exam in math for the college.

"I don't pretend to be an expert at everything, sometimes I have to brush up on certain things in order to help students. But you can always get sympathy, if you can't get help."

Right now, he deals with five or six people a day and usually more men than women.

"Perhaps female students are shyer? It's no reflection on a person's personality, if they should need help. Actually no matter what their marks are, all of the people that have come down to see me are highly motivated. They are all going places. It's the people that really need help that I never see."

Alan Tuston

One students was on the verge of quitting school last term because his math mark was so low. As a last resort he went to see Mr. Tuston, and was tutored for several weeks. At the end of the term, he received a 3 as a final mark.

He said he is impressed with Niagara College and its facilities, as even some universities that he has seen do not have such well equipped libraries. The mathematics section of the library has both business calculators and Wang calculators.

"But the most outstanding thing about the college is the friendly atmosphere, and that includes students and staff. Everyone here is helpful and co-operative, and the students that come to see me are so easy to get to know."

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BEAT COLTS 11-3

Knights gain first victory

By KEN BALDIN

Niagara hockey Knights won their first game of the season in an overwhelming 11-3 shellacking of Cambrian Colts from Sudbury at the Welland Arena Jan. 11.

The Knights showed good puck control, and while the scoring power was always good, it is the Knights' defence that has shown the most improvement since the first half of the season.

Darte Miller and Rick Michowicz are imposing figures on the ice and Miller was good for a goal, blasting one by Colt goaltender Mike Comeau before he could react.

Another pleasant surprise for the Knights is newcomer Ron Tufts, whose persistence paid off in the first period. He stole the puck from a Sudbury forward at centre and after taking it just over the Colt blueline, drilled it inside the right goalpost.

His hard shot and fast skating should be an asset to the Knights' attack.

Gary Nemcko, always consistent, got a hat-trick and other Niagara goals were scored by Serge Boucher, getting two, and Bob Buckner and Bob Tyson getting one each.

The next game is at the Welland Arena, Jan. 25, when St. Clair visits Niagara.

'Interchange' '75 fashion success

'Interchange' 75, a smooth flowing fashion show was the first presentation of its kind for the second year fashion arts students. The 18 girls used slides, soft music and a flowing commentary to create atmosphere for the modeling of their own designs.

A variety of evening, daytime, sports and outer wear in striking designs and colors were presented. The outfits showed influences such as Japanese, Slavic, Arabian and Persian cultures.

Two sets of slides were viewed as each student showed her own design. Slides displayed a closeup of choice of material and the origin of design. Mary Ellen Regain and Liz Beaul were the commentators.

The Fashion Arts students not only designed and constructed their own costumes viewed Dec. 12 but produced Interchange 75 in its entirety. The show was marked as a seminar. Choice of design, fabric and presentation of the outfit was the basis of evaluation.

Each girl was to consider her character, and figure in her choice of pattern. The seminar was to be marked by Mrs. Marie Bramble and Louis Berai, fashion arts instructors.

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Canadians are nutritionally poor

By CAROLE COOPER

French fries, hot dogs and doughnuts out sell hot meals in the college cafeteria. If you're feeling run down and tired all the time, no matter how much sleep you get, this may be the reason.

Canada, though a land rich in food, was found this year to be one of the poorest countries by nutritional standards.

Eleanor Snider, associate master and registered nurse, thinks something should be done about it—and it is up to each individual.

For instance, of Niagara College she said, "I think people would eat better if more greens , salads and nutritious food like vegetables were put out in the cafeteria. They must be made to look more appetizing."

The college cafeteria bears out Mrs. Snider's contention that most people do not eat properly. Hot meals sell daily for 70 cents but more people eat hamburgers and french fries at 75 cents.

Even though the hot meals are more nutritious and often better tasting, they don't sell as well. The menu for hot meals changes daily for two weeks.

Mrs. Snider said the college needs posters suggesting nutritious foods and explaining why people need these foods. Canadian Food Guides should also be posted.

"We spend so much on health care but we don't concern ourselves with prevention of diseases," Mrs. Snider said.

She recommended that vegetables, celery and carrot sticks be sold, and milk cartons be placed in vending machines in buildings other than the cafeteria instead of just snacks. They would sell and be healthier.

She said some colleges have taken vending machines out altogether.

"As a school, we should be teaching nutrition. People don't have enough willpower. We all eat greasy foods."

"Someone should take the responsibility and try to get people to eat better," Mrs. Snider said.

The cafeteria is open for breakfast at 8 a.m. serving eggs, bacon, waffles, cornflakes, toast and jam, porridge, coffee, tea and milk. The cafeteria closes at 3 p.m. but hot meals are only served until 2:30 p.m.

All hot meals are only 70 cents and include spaghetti, turkey, chicken and stew. Mrs Mary Van Marrum, of the cafeteria, said mostly instructors buy the hot meals.

Mrs. Van Marrum said salad and fruit plates do not sell well and only about 10 coleslaw plates sell daily.

According to the Canadian Food Guide, an adult needs daily one and a half cups of milk, two servings of fruit or juice, one serving of potatoes, two servings of other vegetables, one serving of whole grain cereal, one serving of meat, fish or poultry, and eggs and cheese at least three times a week.

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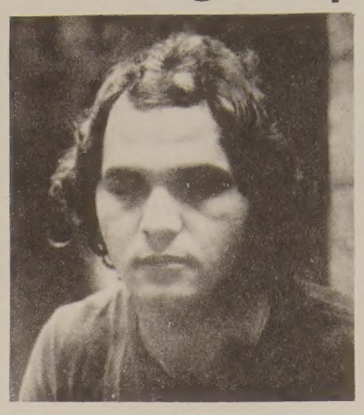
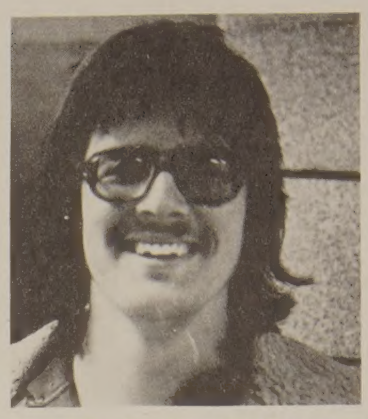
Do you feel that SAC is necessary at Niagara College?

By CHRISTA KIRKEY



Orest Shypowskyj, graphic arts, first year: "No. It's hard to come by $35, and I don't feel that I'm getting $35 worth from them."

Marie Paxton. Early Childhood Education, first year: "Yes. Somebody has to look after the money that comes into the school."



Ron LaRoche, Chemical Engineering, second year: "Not really. They could just have a pub-nite committee. They're not relevant to us as students."

Susan J. Whittam, radio television, second year: "I don't think SAC is necessary because they don't maintain enough activity in the school. All they do is manage money, and we could get the accounting class to do that."

Frank Nava, Electrical Engineering, first year: "No. Well if I was in SAC I'd buy a new car. Maybe I'll join SAC next year, because I do need a new car."

No proof Indian trees marked Niagara trails

By DOUG CALDWELL

The oldest signposts in the Niagara Peninsula have been reduced to rubble and stumps by both nature and man. These signposts once led from Niagara-on-the-Lake, heading out to the Wainfleet marsh, to Twenty-Mile Creek.

The last remnants of a 200-year old signpost can be found near the corner of Thorold Stone Road and the townline of Thorold.

The old and forgotten sign is an elm tree with two of its limbs twisted out of shape. But what did the tree point to? Who twisted the two lower branches?

There is no positive proof existing to answer these questions.

The book "Thorold...past and present" says the tree acts "as a marker for the Indian Trail which once led from Queenston to Dunnville, and possibly further in each direction."

Dave Michener, program co-ordinator of government operations, said any purpose attributed to the signposts could be debated. He has been researching material on the "Indian marker trees" for 10 years and has not come up with any conclusive evidence explaining their purpose.

Although he has found no definite explanation for the markers, he believes the trees point to burial grounds. He claims if one examines a map of the Niagara peninsula with relation to the trees, one can see the trees point to Indian ossuaries.

The burial grounds are scattered from Fort Erie to 20 Valley Golf Course to Niagara-on-the-Lake.

Though 50 trees have been documented, none are to be found now. They have been destroyed by the axe and by Dutch elm disease in the late 1950s and early 60s.

Elms like this may have marked Indian trails (Photo by Doug Caldwell)

Mr. Michener said it is conceivable that the Chippewayan Indians bent the branches for marker purposes. He said the limbs were tied, pointing to the desired direction, when the trees were saplings. The elm tree was used because of its flexibility when young and because the tree grows tall and exists for years.

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Mr. Michener does not believe the trees were used for directional purposes because "what full-blooded Indian would need them." But he believes they were bent long before the white man came to this area.

Port hockey team finds Swedes friendly

By KEN BALDIN

An all-star bantam hockey team from Port Colborne recently returned from Sweden where they lost only one of a series of exhibition games against various Swedish teams.

"The Port Colborne team did quite well, said Werner Bergen, a correspondent for Port Colborne News and former Niagara College journalism student. "They were overall winners of the series."

The venture was initiated by the Team Port Colborne Booster Club whose sole purpose was to organize the trip and get the players to Sweden.

Members of the club who accompanied the team to Sweden were Sam Berkhout, Hank Boyer, coach, and Jack Stoyer, trainer. Rob Paxton, sportswriter for the Welland Tribune in Port Colborne also went.

Everyone on the Pt. Colborne club was impressed with the friendliness of the Swedes.

"The members of the Pt. Colborne team got very attached to the particular family they were billetted with", said Mr. Bergen. "Considering they had to get on the ice and shove each other around, the boys" aged 13—14 "became very good friends. They exchanged gifts and are now writing to each other."

"There was no problem with communication because everyone had a fairly good command of English."

One amazing thing Mr. Bergen pointed out was that when they speak English it's with a British accent, probably because of the British English teachers.

The Pt. Colborne Bantam Lions played seven games in five towns over 11 days. The only team they couldn't beat was Stocksund. They tied 4—4 and lost 5—4.

Other towns and scores are: Pt. Colborne 3, Osteraker 1; Pt. Colborne 8, Sodertalje 0; Pt. Colborne 12, Vallentuna 2; Pt. Colborne 5, Danderyd 3; Port Colborne 3, Vallentuna 1.

Vallentuna, the team that billetted the Lions showed the greatest improvement, said Mr. Bergen.

"The first game, Vallentuna let our players walk right into their defensive area and the goalie was letting rebounds get away from him all the time. The second game they hit harder and the goalie caught and held onto a lot more shots. They learned much from us very quickly.

"The Sodertalje bantams weren't as advanced. They couldn't keep up with our kids. Danderyd and Stocksund played "stacked" teams. They used 15 and 16 year olds, so we lost a game, but we still outskated them.

"Also, our kids couldn't get used to the Swedish rules, which are similar to international rules", said Mr. Bergen. "Hooking, holding, highsticking and interference are not penalties in Sweden."

He pointed out that another Canadian team from Napanee did not get along as well with the Swedish teams as did Pt. Colborne.

"The Napanee team really hit hard, inflicted cuts and fought."

It may have been out of frustration at seeing Swedish players getting away with plays that would normally be penalties in Canada.

Careers broaden for high school girls

High school girls in the peninsula are being made aware of a broader career horizon that may include many of the male-dominated science and technology courses offered at the college.

Mrs. Bette Ferguson, counsellor at the college, has been going to high schools with information on programs offered at the college, jobs available, and salaries paid.

"There is a low enrolment of girls in science and technology courses at the college," Mrs. Ferguson said. "I believe girls are missing out on good careers. They overlook the technology area because up till now it has been male-dominated. Girls might have a good potential in technology and science."

Programs outlined to the girls are chemical, electronic and power, technology, mechanical technology, drafting, instrumentation, construction, and surveying.

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Mounds of good food, then come dirty dishes

By JENNEY VINNICK

Take 60 students, a well-equipped kitchen and tons of food and come up with a successful dinner for approximately 225 people. This is just what the Hotel and Food Club did for their annual Christmas dinner at the Sheraton Foxhead Inn.

Although most food was prepared the day before, there were still many things to be done that last day, Dec. 13. Heads of lettuce--a couple of score--had to be washed and broken up; carrots and tomatoes had to be sliced and the whole thing tossed and portioned into salad bowls. The students preparing salads stood for hours washing, slicing and tossing. Cornish hens and ham sizzled in ovens and lobsters steamed until tender.

Dozens and dozens of cookies, pounds of candy as well as delicious Christmas puddings were made ready. The smells of a kitchen during preparations on this scale are numerous; after spending a couple of hours in one, a person could become an expert food aroma distinguisher.

Debbie Brunton, promotion manager, said of the dinner, "It's something to look forward to. It's a learning experience."

Preparations for a dinner like this are conducted much like any professional restaurant. All the work and planning is done by the students under the kitchen manager and Domenic Diodati, chef instructor, is available if the students need his help.

The guests were an older crowd, mostly parents.

Debbie said, "It gives parents the opportunity to see what's going on."

Invitations were given to the managers of the Skylon and Victoria Park Restaurant.

Debbie and Rob Blake, kitchen manager, agreed that these dinners give everyone something to look forward to; to help give them confidence that they can handle any situation in the business world which has its "minor disasters." That is why a $50 float, $5 allowance per person, was set aside so that anything forgotten could still be purchased at the last moment.

Also, the automatic kitchen doors were still inoperative from last year. This meant that either the doors remained closed requiring a strong push or they remained open allowing the heat and aromas to escape into the dining room.

Everything progressed smoothly. Every student had a job to do and did it dutifully using every scrap of knowledge from their classes. As plates were put out, tensions mounted until "Someone from the bar asks for food, then we go ahhh," Debbie said. This is an in-joke, not a complaint, for these students would not really do this. They realize that kitchen staff and waiters have enough on their minds worrying about getting the food out while hot without having a fellow worker ask for food, especially before the guests eat. It would be the same as the kitchen staff asking for drinks while 12 people are standing at the bar waiting for theirs.

The bar is as complex as the kitchen. The bar manager has to decide how much of what to order and keeps an eye on the bartenders working under him, making sure the guests are happy. Bar manager for the Christmas dinner was Rick Smith.

Every student behind the bar must know how to make dozens of drinks ranging from a simple rum and coke to a complicated "zombie" or "Singapore sling".

At the end of the dinner everyone pitches in to help with clean-up. Hundreds of dishes and silverware have to be put through the automatic dishwasher. The kitchen must be left spotless; only then can they go home. Everyone bustles around, totally involved with clean-up because nobody likes to be cleaning until early morning.

Runes needs good writers

Wanted: talented and creative persons interested in seeing their poetry, prose, short stories and illustrations printed in the publication Runes.

Runes is a soft-covered book of illustrated writing which has been sold throughout the college for three years. Jim Ross, English instructor, is heading the project this year. Deadline for stories and art work is Thursday, Feb. 13.

About 100 copies will be printed and sold at the college near the end of March 1975.

Those interested should contact Mr. Ross or any English instructor as soon as possible.

Millard designs nurses' time sheets

A Nurses' Activity Sheet could mean many things but for Brian Millard, instructor of data processing, it meant working part-time out of the classroom during the fall months of 1974.

Mr. Millard was faced with the problem of designing a new daily time sheet, called the Nurses' Activity Sheet (NAS), for the Welland Niagara Regional Health Unit.

The 77 public health nurses, registered nurses and assistants fill out their own NAS on a daily basis. Activities such as time spent on audio and vision tests, telephone and personal contacts with patients and family are recorded, then totalled weekly.

Mr. Millard said plans are underway to have "the weekly times combined into a monthly total and key punched onto computer cards. The cards will be run into a computer to give the type of reports wanted."

He said the purpose of the form is to see the hours spent by the nurses on various activities throughout their work day.

"The Ontario Health Ministry decided to collect data at their level from all 43 health units in Ontario. The form we used in 1974 was largely used as a base by the ministry in their form for 1975."

Mr. Millard is in his fourth year in the General Business Program. He said he enjoyed the challenge of designing the form as well as the opportunity of giving his services to the community.

Stone Soup

(Cont'd from pg.1)

Busy with their work, the villagers were surprised and frightened by the entry of three strangers dressed in black capes, hats, boots and carrying swords. The village women ran behind the shelter of their benches, children following. Going from home to home the tired, hungry soldiers asked for food and shelter; everywhere they were refused. "Strangers in a foreign land" with no one to help them, the soldiers announced, "We'll have to make stone soup."

"Stone soup?" the women questioned the children rising from their hiding positions. After some deliberation each group agreed to help the soldiers make stone soup.

Under the soldiers' direction, wood was gathered for the fire, water pumped, and stones collected. From the gathered stones the soldiers chose the best for making soup.

"That's mine," a little boy proudly said pointing at the invisible stone the soldier had chosen. Later the soldiers requested potatoes, onions, carrots and salt to add to the steaming kettle of stones and water.

A song was sung as the soup simmered. Ready to eat, the children with cupped hands holding their pretend bowls waited to receive their ladle full of soup from the large pot.

Gathered around the banquet table, they began their feast. "Would you like some cider? ...Please pass the roast beef."

Well satisfied with their meal, the women and children relented and offered the soldiers a warm comfortable room in gratitude.

Theatre students have few scripted lines. They are warned "to be on the alert" to the wants of the children.

"The children come first, then the story", Mrs. Morgan said.

At the conclusion of the banquet everyone was happy. The soldiers' bellies were full, and they were assured of beds to sleep in; the village people learned to make stone soup, and, although Involvement Theatre is not designed primarily for the pleasure of onlookers, those watching had smiles on their faces.

Niagara College student boosts soup label collection.
(Photo by John Dueck)

Soup labels buy basketball

Pupils at St. Andrew's School in Welland received a $24 Jelinek basketball for 1,377 Campbell's soup labels collected by educational resource technician (ERT) students.

The soup label collection was done by first and second year ERT students as a community project last term. Their aim was to collect 7,000 labels.

Average contribution to the project was about 50 labels per student. Ann Quaranto, first year ERT student, collected the highest number, 222 of them.

"ERT students have to do several community projects in their program," Elvira Lucas, program co-ordinator said. "They help local schools to get physical education equipment. It gives students practical experience in working with the community."

JORDAN MUSEUM

Articles used by Canadian pioneers during the 1880s are featured in the Historical Museum of Twenty in Jordan.

NEW TASK FORCE

Colleges preparing for self-evaluation

A task force has been established by the Committee of Presidents to develop methods of self-evaluation for Ontario community colleges.

John Giancarlo, dean of the School of Applied Arts and senior academic officer of Niagara College, is responsible for forming a committee here.

Toi Fountain, president of the Student Administrative Council (SAC), said of the Niagara committee, "This is a pilot project for the college and will evaluate everything from the person who pays to the person who works here."

The actual evaluation of the college was supposed to start in May, but a recommendation was made that next September would be more appropriate.

"We suggested to the committee that they consider waiting until the students are available if they are to be influential in the pilot project," Mr. Giancarlo said.

Total cost of the project across the province is not to exceed $53,000.

Among those who have agreed to be on the Niagara task force are: W.H. Cornett, Dean of Retraining; Mrs. Mary Dool, chairman of social services advisory committee; Toi Fountain; Miss Heather Kilty, board of governors; Brian Miller, faculty member from the School of Business; Mrs. Mary Sherwood, instructor at Niagara Falls centre of nursing, and W. Walker, chairman of School of Technology.

Dr. Alan King of Queen's University has been selected as Project Director.

The main purpose of the project is to develop self-evaluation procedures to be used by the colleges to determine to what extent they are meeting their objectives.

COVER DESIGN CONTEST

A contest to design a new cover for the 1975-76 Niagara College Calendar is now in progress and all Niagara College students are eligible to participate.

An award of $35.00 will be given to the student whose design is selected for us as the cover for the 1975-76 Calendar. Design credit for the winning cover will also be listed.

Design specifications for entries are as follows:

1). Design must consist of front cover, back cover and binding spine. Cover dimensions for front cover and back cover are 5 1/2 inches in width by 8 1/2 inches in depth. Binding spine is 3/4 inch wide by 8 1/2 inches in depth.

2). Design must be a finished product, "camera ready" in detail to be considered.

3). Design should not incorporate more than two colours.

4). Design must include the words "Niagara College" and the year designation "1975-76."

5). All designs must have the name of designer, home or campus address and program enrolled in at Niagara.

This competition is now open. Designs are to be submitted to Myron Kukla, Information Officer, Portable #1, Main Campus, on or before March 21, 1975. Selection of winning design will be made by the 1975-76 Calendar Committee on or before April 11, 1975.